

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 Methods of establishing communications between a first station and a second station in a wireless local area network using a direct link protocol are disclosed in which a first distance between the first station and the second station and a second distance between the first station and an access point in the wireless local area network are determined. The first distance may then be compared to the second distance. Direct link protocol communications between the first station and the second station may be established if the first distance is less than the second distance.